



REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA
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Call for Proposals 2013 Slovene Scholarship Fund EEA/NFM

The Centre of the Republic of Slovenia for Mobility and European Educational and Training Programmes (hereinafter CMEPIUS) in cooperation with the Ministry of Economic Development and Technology hereby publishes the Call for Proposals 2013 for activities within the framework of the EEA/NFM Scholarship Fund.

1. Aims and Description

This Call for Proposals is based on Protocol 38b to the EEA Agreement on the EEA Financial Mechanism 2009-2014, the Memorandum of Understanding on the Implementation of the European Economic Area (EEA) Financial Mechanism 2009-2014, made between the donor states (the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Iceland and the Principality of Liechtenstein) and the Republic of Slovenia of 21 May 2011, the Regulation on the Implementation of the EEA Financial Mechanism 2009-2014 and its annexes, the Program Agreement on the EEA Slovene Scholarship Fund, and the guidelines adopted by the Financial Mechanism Committee. The Call is additionally based on the Agreement between the Kingdom of Norway and the EU on the Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2009-2014, the Memorandum of Understanding on the Implementation of the Norwegian Financial Mechanism (NFM), signed between the Kingdom of Norway and the Republic of Slovenia on 10 May 2011, the Regulation of the Implementation of the Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2009-2014 and its annexes, the Programme Agreement on the NFM programme Slovene Scholarship Fund, and all the guidelines adopted by the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs after consultations with the beneficiary states.

The Scholarship Fund supports international mobility and inter-institutional projects in education and training, thereby contributing to the strengthening of the development of human capital and knowledge base. The Fund aims to encourage bilateral cooperation between participating countries.

2. Eligibility

The **following activities/measures** are eligible under the Call:

- Preparatory visits;
- Mobility projects in higher education;
- Mobility projects for educational staff in general and vocational education and training;
- Inter-institutional cooperation projects in higher education;
- Inter-institutional cooperation projects in education and training.

The **eligible applicants** for the Scholarship Fund are:

- Slovene higher education institutions;
- Slovene organisations in the field of primary and secondary general and vocational education and training.

Cooperation in Slovene Scholarship Fund is of benefit also to the following organisations:

- Enterprises, social partners and other representatives of working life, including chambers of commerce and industry and other trade organisations;
- Organisations providing guidance, consulting and information services;
- Organisations responsible for systems and policies relating to any aspect of education and training at local, regional and national level;
- Research centres and organisations dealing with lifelong learning issues;
- Non-profit organisations, voluntary bodies, NGOs.

The Scholarship Fund is primarily intended to enhance cooperation of organisations from Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Slovenia.

Detailed information on eligibility of organisations for specific activities and the eligible number of partners are indicated in the National Rules for each measure and the Guide for Applicants.

3. Budget and Duration of Projects

The total budget for this Call is estimated at **948.924,00 EUR**. The budget for individual measures is further allocated as follows:

- Mobility projects in higher education - 606.975,00 EUR;
- Mobility projects for educational staff in general and vocational education and training - 109.793,00 EUR;
- Inter-institutional cooperation projects in higher education - 122.363,00 EUR ;
- Inter-institutional cooperation projects in education and training - 109.793,00 EUR ;
- Preparatory visits – 56.504,00 EUR.

The duration of the mobility projects is up to 15 months, the duration of the inter-institutional cooperation projects is up to two years.

4. Deadlines for Submission of Project Proposals

Preparatory visits	Open deadline for submission
Mobility projects in higher education	14 October 2013
Mobility projects for educational staff in general and vocational education and training	14 October 2013
Inter-institutional cooperation projects in higher education	14 October 2013
Inter-institutional cooperation projects in education and training	14 October 2013

5. Further Information

Project proposals shall be completed and submitted on the required forms in the manner as set forth in the National Rules for each measure. Application forms, the Guide for Applicants and the National Rules are available at: <http://www.cmepius.si/en/higher-education/eea-and-norway-grants.aspx>

Questions regarding this Call shall be sent only to eeagrants@cmepius.si. Answers will be published regularly on the website of the programme.

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